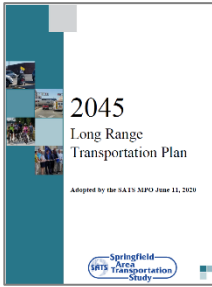


## LONG RANGE TRANSPORTATION PLAN



The Long Range Transportation Plan (LRTP) is produced every five years, outlining multimodal strategies and capital investments to occur on a 25-year planning horizon.

The plan is the result of a collective effort of agencies, jurisdictions, and other

stakeholders that assesses both the current condition and future needs of the transportation network in order to provide a safe, reliable and efficient system for all users.

The plan also identifies multimodal transportation projects and serves as guide for the effective investment of transportation funds.

The most recent Long Range Transportation Plan was approved in 2020.

## TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM



The Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) is produced annually and provides information on all committed (funded) projects on a four-year planning horizon.

All planning documents are available on the transportation page of the Springfield-Sangamon County Regional Planning Commission's website at [www.sscrpc.com](http://www.sscrpc.com).

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- Provide information and technical support to committees
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- Fosters interagency coordination
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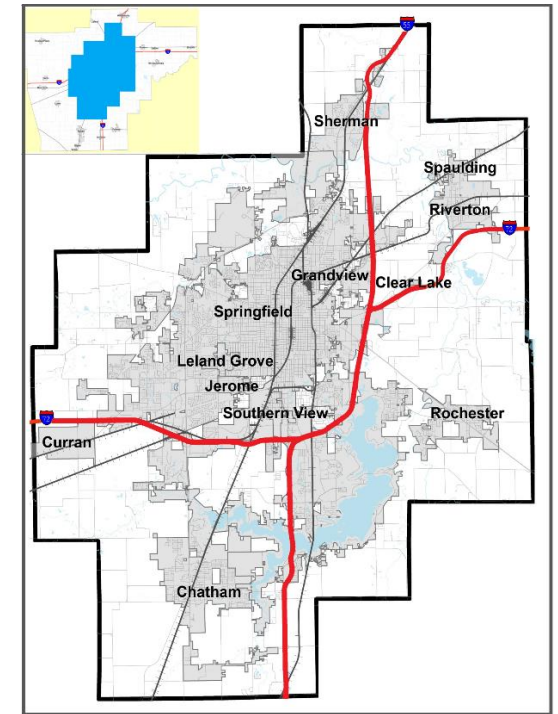
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## WHAT IS THE SATS MPO?

Metropolitan planning organizations (MPO) are federally mandated for urbanized areas with populations over 50,000 that allow the region to qualify for federal highway and transit funding, without which the cost of transportation would rely entirely on local and state resources.

The Springfield Area Transportation Study (SATS) is the designated MPA (Metropolitan Planning Agency) and is the region's policymaking body responsible for prioritizing transportation initiatives. The primary role of SATS is to harmonize the activities of federal, state and local agencies in the region. Its policies take into account the physical, social, and economic effects of circulation, as well as regional impacts and coordination needs at all levels.

Annually, SATS leverages approximately 50 million dollars for transportation projects and is responsible for ensuring these funds are used in a "fiscally constrained" manner, meaning the cost of a project must not exceed the level of reasonably available revenue.

## TRANSPORTATION PLANNING & PROGRAMMING

The existing and future transportation networks are the result a broadly defined two-part process involving SATS members, interested parties and the public:

Transportation Planning:

- Develops a vision for the area
- Creates policies and strategies to support the vision
- Looks at the long term horizon (25 years or more)

Transportation Programming:

- Prioritizes the proposed initiatives
- Matches initiatives with available funds
- Looks at the short term horizon (under five years)

## PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Public participation is also a vital part of the transportation planning process. Input from residents and other interested parties is crucial in order to provide information and perspectives directly from users of the transportation system whose everyday lives are affected by how they will get to work, schools, stores, services and home.

## HOW DOES A PROJECT BECOME A REALITY IN THE MPA?

In order for a project to be considered for federal funding, it must be listed in the Long Range Transportation Plan and included in the Transportation Improvement Program.

All potential projects must be sponsored by one of SATS' jurisdictions. The sponsor acts as the lead agency in securing funding, representing the scope of work to be performed, and an implementation schedule.

## HOW ARE PROJECTS FUNDED?

Transportation projects are funded through a variety of programs and grants including:

- The Federal government,
- State government,
- Local governments,
- Transportation agencies, and
- Public-private partnerships.

## ROLE OF THE SPRINGFIELD-SANGAMON COUNTY REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION



The Springfield - Sangamon County Regional Planning

Commission (SSRPC) serves as staff to SATS. SATS planning and programming is funded in large part by the Consolidated Planning Grant (CPG), this includes Planning funds from the Federal Highway Administration and Federal Transit Agency) Section 5303 funds. The CPG is administered by the Illinois Department of Transportation and allocated each year based upon a formula. The CPG funds require a non-federal match, or local contributions. These remaining funds are provided by Sangamon County, the City of Springfield, the Village of Chatham and Sangamon Mass Transit District (SMTD) contribute funding in accordance with the SATS Bylaws and Annual Cooperative Agreements.

## SATS ROLES AND MEMBERSHIP



SATS is comprised of a Policy and Technical Committee and supported by

technical advisors and SSRPC staff. The responsibilities and composition of the committees and advisors are listed below and to the right.

### Policy Committee

- Takes approval actions
- Sets long-term transportation policy and approves plans
- Prioritizes and programs specific transportation initiatives for funding

Committee Membership (voting position):

- Chairman, Sangamon County Board
- Mayor, City of Springfield
- Village President, Village of Chatham
- Chairman, SSRPC
- Regional Engineer, IDOT, Region 4, District 6
- Board Chairman, SMTD

### Technical Committee

- Provides technical analysis and specialized knowledge
- Reviews plans and makes recommendations prior to approval by Policy Committee

Committee Membership (voting position):

- Sangamon County Engineer
- Director of Public Works, City of Springfield
- Village Manager, Village of Chatham
- Executive Director, SSRPC
- Program Development Engineer, IDOT, Region 4, District 6
- Deputy Managing Director, SMTD

### Technical Advisors

- Serve on Policy and/or Technical Committee(s) to provide planning assistance as necessary

Advisors (non-voting position):

- Planning, Environmental and Right of Way Team Leader, Federal Highway Administration
- Metro Manager, IDOT Office of Programming and Planning
- Rail Safety Program administrator, Illinois Commerce Commission
- Executive Director, Springfield Airport Authority

